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Senator Dave Durenberger (R-Minn.), Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, said today that had a long range national strategy for intelligence been in place at the proper time, past upheavals in the intelligence community could have been avoided. "If the true objectives of covert action had been thought through and articulated, the misunderstandings that have developed over this activity could have been avoided", Durenberger said.

"Regionally, a long range strategy would have pinpointed the difficulties that we inherited in Central America. The shortfalls that we have experienced in our intelligence abilities in this vital section of the world might not have occurred in the first place or might have been anticipated and planned for," Durenberger continued.

Durenberger also expressed concern that the lack of a long range national strategy could give rise to future difficulties. "Correctly handling the problems of terrorism, narcotics interdiction, and verification of future arms control agreements demands a well thought out, long range strategy if intelligence gaps are to be avoided and policy makers are to have the adequate and timely information their decisions require", Durenberger said.

Durenberger's comment was contained in an opening statement delivered at a meeting of the Intelligence Committee which marked the beginning of a series of hearings by that committee designed to establish a national intelligence strategy.

Durenberger went on to say that he believes the intelligence community itself will be far better able to make its case to a skeptical public and their representatives if it begins to articulate its plans in terms of an overall strategy, explicitly noting the relevance of plans and operations to national policy.

"At a time when the resources we can devote to national security are being increasingly strained, and the potential requirements of policy appear to grow every day, the Congress and the public must have confidence that our overall security policy is based on a sense of priorities envisioned," Durenberger said.

Durenberger said it was not possible to know today what conclusions the committee may reach at the end of these hearings. "We may find that the intelligence community is considering, and considering well, the kinds of questions about future investments that we begin to explore today," Durenberger said.

Durenberger said the committee planned to produce guidelines for a national intelligence strategy to the intelligence community by October 1, 1985 and the committee expected to see those guidelines implemented prior to the start of the next budget cycle.

"It is the firm expectation of this committee that the next budget request considers will be accompanied by a statement which permits the committee to assess the relationship between our overall security policy and the intelligence strategy which serves it," Durenberger concluded.



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AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1986 FOR INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY STAFF, THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY SYSTEM [CIARDS], AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

JUNE 11 (legislative day, JUNE 3), 1985.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. DURENBERGER, from the Select Committee on Intelligence,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1271]

The Select Committee on Intelligence, having considered the original bill (S. 1271) authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 1986 for intelligence activities of the U.S. Government, the Intelligence Community Staff, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

This bill would:

(1) Authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1986 for (a) intelligence activities of the United States, (b) the Intelligence Community Staff, and (c) the CIA Retirement and Disability System;

(2) Authorize the personnel ceilings as of September 30, 1986 for (a) the Central Intelligence Agency, (b) the Intelligence Community Staff, and (c) the other intelligence activities of the U.S. Government;

(3) Authorize the Director of Central Intelligence to make certain personnel ceiling adjustments when necessary to the performance of important intelligence functions;

(4) Make several legislative changes designed to enhance intelligence and counterintelligence capabilities and to promote the more effective and efficient conduct of intelligence and counterintelligence activities.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. DURENBERGER, from the Select Committee on Intelligence, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and (pursuant to the order of June 6, 1985), referred jointly to the Committees on Armed Services, the Judiciary, Governmental Affairs, and Foreign Relations for the 30-day time period provided in section 3(b) of Senate Resolution 400, 94th Congress, provided that the Committee on the Judiciary be restricted to the consideration of title V, the Committee on Governmental Affairs be restricted to the consideration of section 603, and the Committee on Foreign Relations be restricted to the consideration of section 604 and title VII; provided that if any of said committees fails to report said bill within the 30-day time limit, such committee shall be automatically discharged from further consideration of said bill in accordance with section 3(b) of Senate Resolution 400, 94th Congress

A BILL

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1986 for intelligence activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Staff, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*